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COMMENT OF THE DAY

CHINA'S ARMY

WHAT really is happening inside China? It is still by no means clear. There are mysteries within mysteries. The chief episode during the summer has been the movement for "all flowers to bloom together" — and then a sudden change of direction. But that is only one sign of uneasiness and uncertainty. In the last few weeks, attention has shifted to the army.

In the past, Chinese propaganda has been wholly directed to the praise of the Red Army. It has been represented as a new model, specialising in almost utopian relations between itself and the civilian population. All the greater is the surprise to find a very different future suddenly presented by the official Communist news agency. This agency is giving long reports about the "rectification" of the army. The significance lies in what it says needs to be rectified. It has reported in full an especially noteworthy speech by General Tang Cheng, the Director of the Army's Political Department.

CONTAMINATED

GENERAL Tang denounced the conduct of officers, who were, he said, "contaminated with the Kuomintang's working style." They inflicted "unscrupulous corporal punishment" upon the conscript soldiers. They subjected them to all kinds of humiliation. The general admitted also the validity of a long string of complaints about the army in its relation to civilians. These sounded extraordinarily like the complaints which used to be made about the Chinese armies of the old regime, or about the Japanese army of occupation. The officers "used money to win love and undermine engagements." They misused the houses in which they were billeted, and treated the occupants roughly.

That was the start. A few days after the speech of General Tang Cheng, a similar speech was made by no less a dignitary than the Liberation Army's Chief of Staff, General Su Yu. He repeated the same admissions as General Tang Cheng, and added a great many more.

CONDUCT

THESE confessions by the generals were a signal to the Communist newspapers. The most striking comment appeared in the Army's own newspaper, the "People's Liberation Journal." It said that far too many army units were stationed in schools and at beauty spots. In the Port Arthur-Dairen area alone, sixty-nine schools had been taken over. The conduct of the soldiers with students came in for particularly sharp comment. The recurring charge is that army officers consistently abuse their power. They demand a standard of life quite different from that of civilians. They expect free entrance at places of public amusement.

RESPECT

WHAT does this outburst of criticism imply? It is still too early to say. Perhaps the civilian element of the Communist Party is anxious to clip the wings of the cliques of army officers before they become too independent. But if this is so, they have had to reveal that the People's Liberation Army is very different from what has always been said hitherto, and they have had to disclose the popular discontent.

Traditionally in China there has been a certain contempt for armories. The profession of soldiering has been held in low esteem. Evidently the regime has still much to do before it can claim that the People's Army is very different from the armies of the past, and deserving of more respect.

PEKING REJECTS NEWSMEN

State Department Terms Are Unacceptable

TOKYO, Aug. 26. CHINA'S chief propaganda organ today rejected the US State Department proposal to let 24 American newsmen go to the mainland. It charged that State Department wanted to use them as "spies."

The Peking People's Daily said in a long, bitter-worded article written by an "observer" that the US proposal is "completely unacceptable" unless Chinese reporters can go to the United States.

The article, broadcast by Peking radio, called Secretary of State John Foster Dulles' proposal "insufficient and unacceptable."

It said the United States wants to use American newsmen to collect intelligence and carry out activities on its behalf.

UNACCEPTABLE

"The unilateral decision of the US State Department as announced in its press release is completely unacceptable to the Chinese people," the newspaper said.

"The USA is used to lording it over others in the imperialist world and thinks it can just send its correspondents to China just on the basis of its own unilateral decision without any invitation to Chinese journalists."

Two other journalists commented that the matter was completely out of their hands now.

CONDITION ABSURD

The six American correspondents who had their passports validated for China yesterday by the US Consulate are now wondering whether they will be able to visit the mainland.

One of the correspondents told the China Mail this morning that the condition was absurd. He added: "The United States should extend an invitation to Chinese journalists."

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By All Means

Several others, however, went to an agency which handles China - visits to make inquiries about visas.

Mr Keyes Beech, of the Chicago Daily News said that "if mutual exchange is the only obstacle holding up our going to China, then by all means the United States should allow the Chinese newsmen to go to the States."

"The United States should have invited the Chinese newsmen to go to the States because I feel, on a practical basis, the United States would fare far better in the exchange."

Mr Beech said that the Chinese charge that the American newsmen would be used as spies by the State Department.

"We are not spies," Mr Beech said. "We do gather information and report our observations, which, by Communist definition, is espionage. However, Peking is quite familiar with the way the American press operates and knew our ways before the original invitation was extended to us a year ago."

Mr Beech said: "Professor Prestley (the acting registrar) has just been in to show me your cheque for \$3,000 which you have so readily contributed to our University. In order to help us meet the very real demand for increased entry to our courses, I feel I must send you this personal note of thanks, and in addition say how much your public-spirited gesture is appreciated."

Mr John Roderick of the Associated Press, who is one of the party waiting to go behind the bamboo curtain, said the matter is now completely out of our hands.

Mr Roderick added that the new development did not come as a surprise to most of the American correspondents.

He said he regarded the charge of alleged espionage as "obviously absurd." He said: "We will report impartially and objectively just as we do anywhere in the world."

Peking said that according to "generally understood international practice" newsmen of each country should be stationed in the other country to help people understand each other.

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ASSURANCE ON HK RICE

Mr H. A. Angus, Director of Commerce and Industry, stated this morning that the Bangkok Government had received an assurance that the Thai Government intended maintaining its export of rice to its traditional customers, which include Hong Kong, and that the controls recently imposed in Bangkok will not prejudice supplies to Hong Kong.

Mr. Angus stated that there was no truth in rumours to the contrary. He added that the stocks at present in the Colony are high. They amount to some three and a half to four months' consumption.

SHIP CAUGHT IN ICE

COPENHAGEN, Aug. 25. THE Norwegian vessel Polaris, chartered by the Norwegian Polar Institute, was officially reported in serious trouble because of heavy ice near Spitsbergen Island. In Polar Bay on Greenland's east coast.

The 18 crewmen and passengers aboard the vessel were believed to have abandoned the ship, fearing it might be pressed down by the ice.

A spokesman of the Danish naval headquarters in Copenhagen said that the United States Air Force in Greenland had been asked to assist in rescue operations. The Norwegian seal catcher

Jupiter was reported to be the vessel nearest to the distressed Polaris. Two years ago Jupiter was abandoned by its crew, of Eastern Greenland under somewhat identical circumstances. The ship was later rescued almost intact. — United Press.

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Mass Desertion By Tourists

MORE TROUBLE ON THE BATORY

Copenhagen, Aug. 25.

The biggest single mass defection since the cold war ended put another black mark on the history of the ill-starred Polish liner Batory today.

Refugees were still turning up here after jumping ship. When the Batory put in for a two-day visit to Copenhagen last Wednesday there were 72 Polish tourists on board. Police estimated tonight that one in every 10 had decided to seek asylum in the West.

The Batory first came to fame when an accused Communist, Gerhard Eisler, used it to sneak away from the United States. He was free on bail when he vanished into the ship.

Less Lucrative

Since then the Batory has been unable to dock in New York. It has been in service on less lucrative European runs. Last week's experience may rule out one more route for the 10,000-ton queen of Poland's merchant fleet.

Police spokesman said that about 60 Poles so far had asked for asylum here. In view of the large number it is planned to establish a camp where the Poles can be accommodated until their individual cases have been decided on. — United Press.

Meet Put



Meet Put Riley. That's the name her shipmates give her. For Put (real name Peg) is a member of the crew of the brigantine Yankee.

Put left Hongkong yesterday for a short trip to Japan to meet her parents before rejoining her ship.

While she was in Hongkong, she met China Mail feature writer, Francis Boey, and told the story of how Put joined the Yankee.

In two parts, this feature appears today on page 10. The second part will appear tomorrow.

OCTOPUS ATTACKS BOY

Genoa, Aug. 25.

An 11-year-old boy bathing at a beach escaped unharmed today from an octopus which attacked him in the shallow water.

The boy was swimming when suddenly the octopus seized him around the waist and started dragging him out to sea.

A landscape artist, Pier Luigi Lavagnino, painting the picturesque bay nearby, heard the cries of the boy and dived in to save him.

The octopus left the boy and attacked Lavagnino. He succeeded in freeing himself from the long tentacles and carried the boy to safety.

The boy's name was not revealed by police. — United Press.

Armed Robbery

Three Chinese, two of them armed with daggers, held up and robbed a post office in Bologna Road at about 10 pm on Saturday night. Police said today. The victim reported to the Police that robbers made off with a wrist watch and money. Police are investigating the case.

Freighters Collide

QUEBEC CITY, Aug. 25. TWO freighters collided head-on in the St. Lawrence River near here today, but damage was reported slight and no one was injured. The accident occurred in a pre-dawn mist on the river early today when the Mapledore, of British registry under charter to the Dominion Steel and Coal Company, rammed the Clandra, a German vessel

owned by Ahlmann Trans-Caribbean Shipping Company. Both ships returned safely to Quebec City harbour, where the Harbour Master reported damage was limited to the bows of both ships.

The Mapledore was travelling up-river with a cargo of coal from Nova Scotia, while the Clandra was travelling in the opposite direction in ballast.

— United Press.

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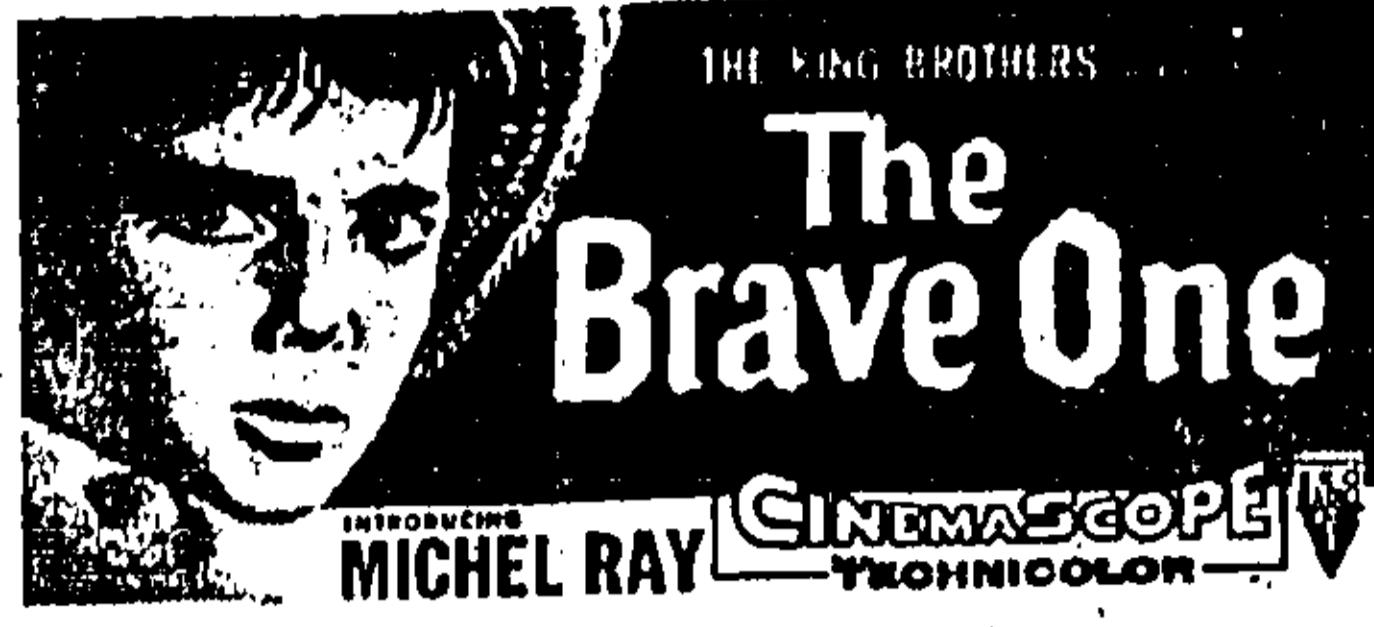
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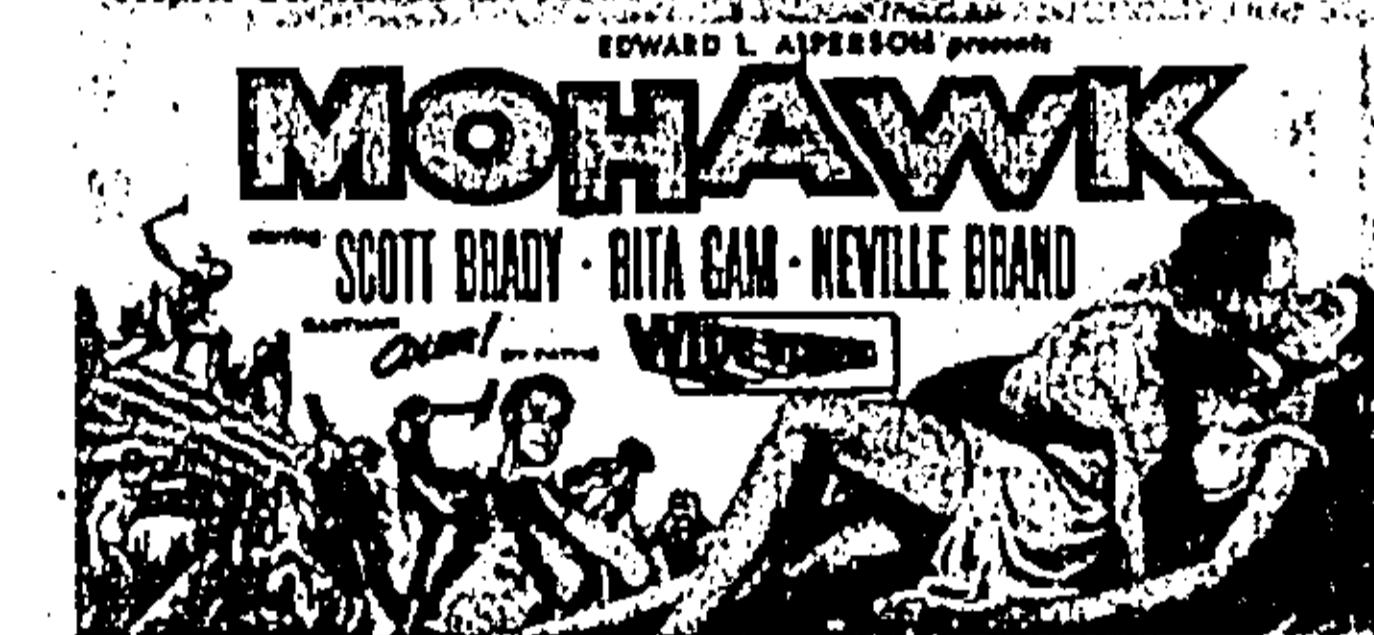


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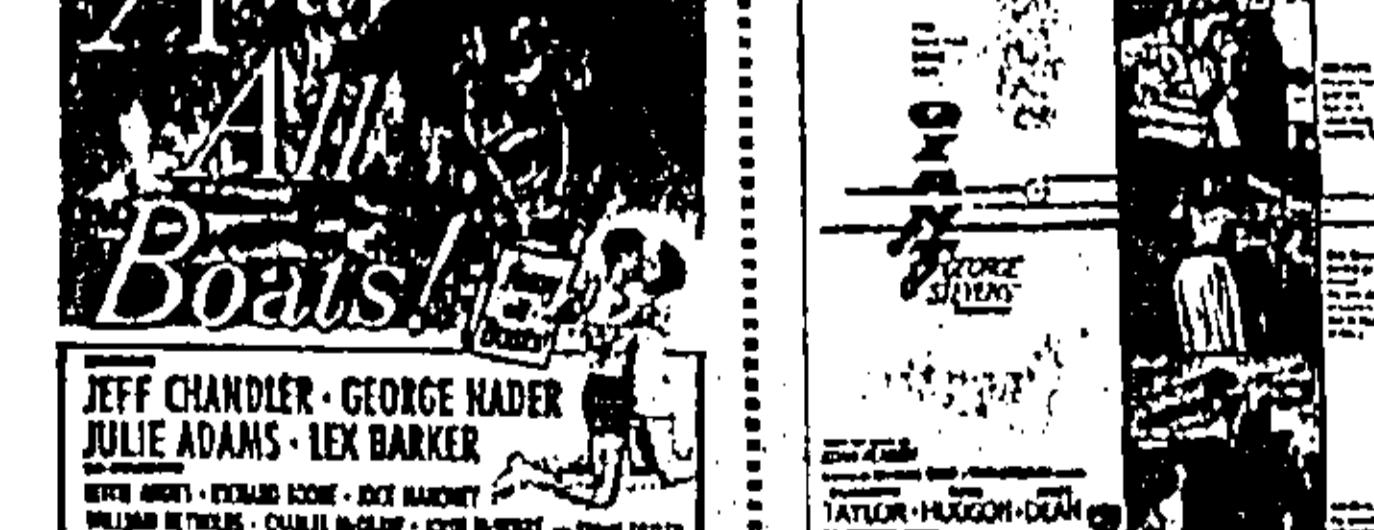


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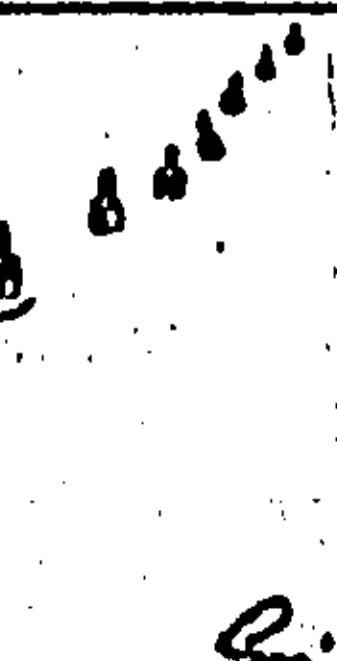
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India Against

Diverting Rivers

Karachi, Aug. 25. The Prime Minister, Mr. Husseini Suhrawardy, declared today that he would "lay down" his life if India attempted to divert the water of three Pakistani rivers for her own use.

"I will be the first to lay down my life if India tries to divert (this) water in an attempt to thirst out Pakistan," he said.

The Prime Minister was addressing a mammoth crowd in a public park here under the auspices of his Awami League. Security measures taken at the meeting were unprecedented in the history of Karachi. Two soldiers armed with Bren guns even sat behind the Press corps.

NOT TOLERATE

Mr. Suhrawardy said he would not tolerate any Indian action to deprive Pakistan of her natural waters. He mentioned the Canal water issue, a sore spot between the two countries, only briefly, saying the matter was before the World Bank.

Commenting on Pakistan's recent American tour, the Prime Minister said: "I never visited America to beg for something. I went there to befriend them. I went to tell them that we have our own principles, our own ideology—Islamic ideology—better than theirs. If you like it, we can work together."

Regarding the success of his American tour, he quoted newspapers in the US as saying "We have found an ally in Pakistan of whom we can be proud."

FRIENDSHIP

The Prime Minister said he had succeeded in gaining the friendship not only of America but of the entire Muslim world, except one or two countries. Even Afghanistan had become friendly to Pakistan, he added.

He disclosed that he was now having consultations with other Islamic countries to form an organisation where "all could get together."

He said he thought Russia and Communist China would not go against Pakistan when the Kashmir issue came before the Security Council. But, he said, "in case our hope is belied, the only alternative will be to take the matter before the General Assembly." — United Press.

BELAFONTE HAS OPERATION

New York, Aug. 25. Singer Harry Belafonte has undergone surgery on his right eye but his sight is not expected to be affected, it was revealed today.

Belafonte, 30, was admitted to New York Hospital last Monday for a muscle condition of the retina. He was operated on yesterday for four and one-half hours by Dr. Edward Norton, who said the operation was a success but that the final effect of the operation would be known for two weeks, until the bandages are removed.

Belafonte's eye was injured in childhood, and doctors said his sight could have been marred if he did not undergo the operation. He cancelled engagements in Washington and in New York before he entered the hospital. — United Press.

Shrine?

Geneva, Aug. 25. The lakeside villa "Barakat" in the village of Versoix, near Geneva, where the late Aga Khan died on July 11, may be made into a shrine of the Shia Ismaili Moslem Sect. — Reuter.

The operating record was set

in 1955 by an RAF Canberra

bomber, which flew from

Ottawa to London in six hours

and 42 minutes. Distance be-

tween the two cities is 3,330

miles.

The Valiant that made

today's flight was piloted by

Squadron Leader R. G. Collins.

It is based at an RAF field in

England's Midlands. — United

Press.

A force of fingerprint experts

dusted off the villa. The Andersens

household, Lt. Michael Spotts of the

Detective Bureau, said he hoped

to match prints in the home with

"a lot of perfect prints" taken

from the dead girl's hands.

"We've no doubt it's Judith

Mae, but we want to make it

more binding," he said.

But Ralph Andersen, who

viewed the body twice, refused

doggedly to believe that it could

be his daughter.

"I still think something has

happened to Judy," he said.

"But this isn't it." — United

Press.

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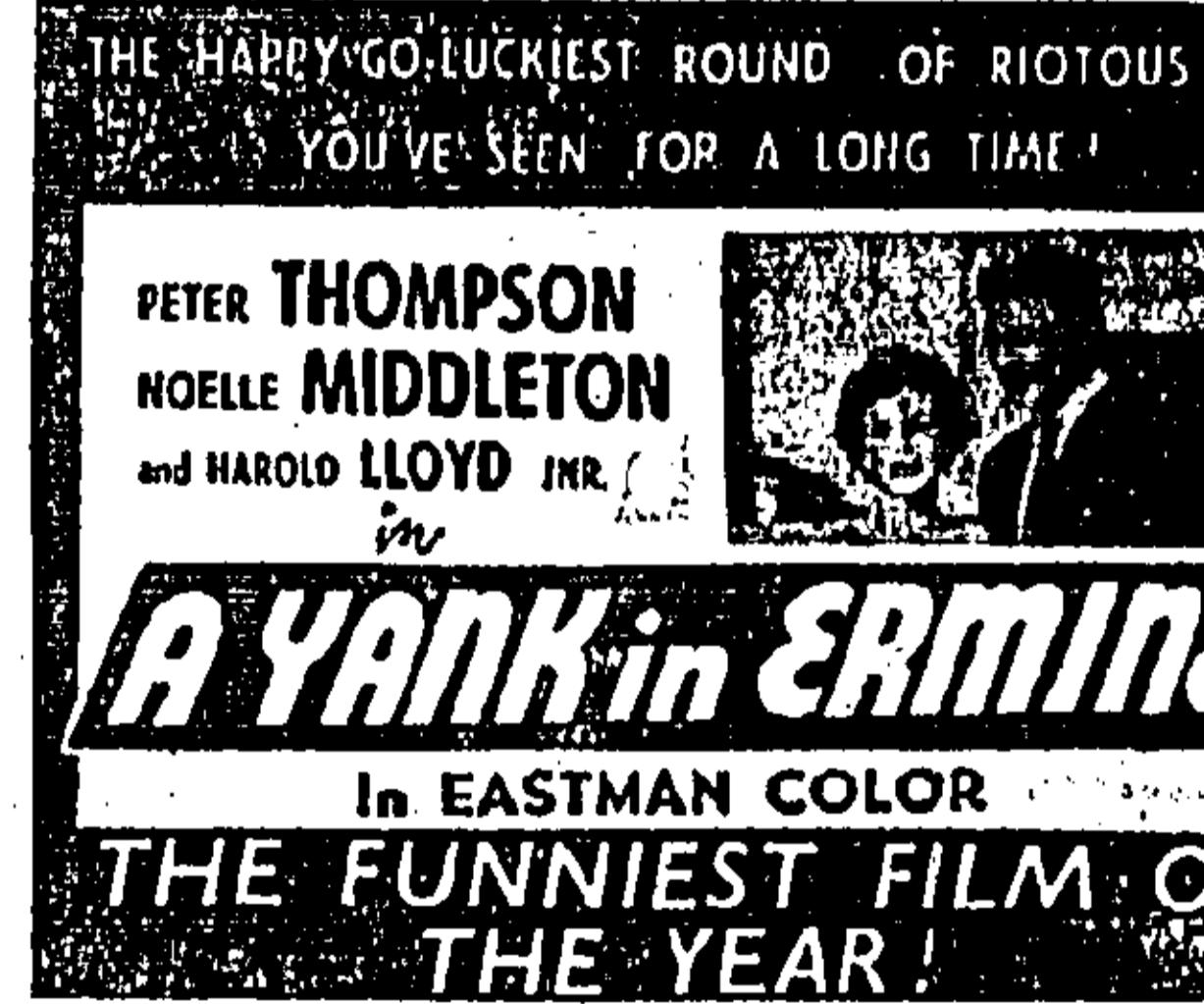
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HIGHWAY PROJECT ACROSS TAIWAN

By ROBERT BROWN

Nearly 80,000 old and ineffective troops have been weeded out of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's forces during the past two years in a touch-and-go programme that could have exploded into trouble on Formosa.

Treasure House To Be Opened

Jaipur, Aug. 25. The mysterious "Tiger Fort" at Jaipur, fabled treasure house of the Indian Maharajahs, is to be opened to the public, it was learned here today.

The 300-year-old fortress overlooking the City from high rock has been reported to hold the gold, jewels and coins plundered during the Aboan and Punjab expeditions of the first Maharajah Mansingh of Jaipur under the Moghul kings.

By tradition, the ruling Maharajah may enter the Fort only once during his lifetime. He is blindfolded and led into the treasure house, where he may choose one object from the treasure.

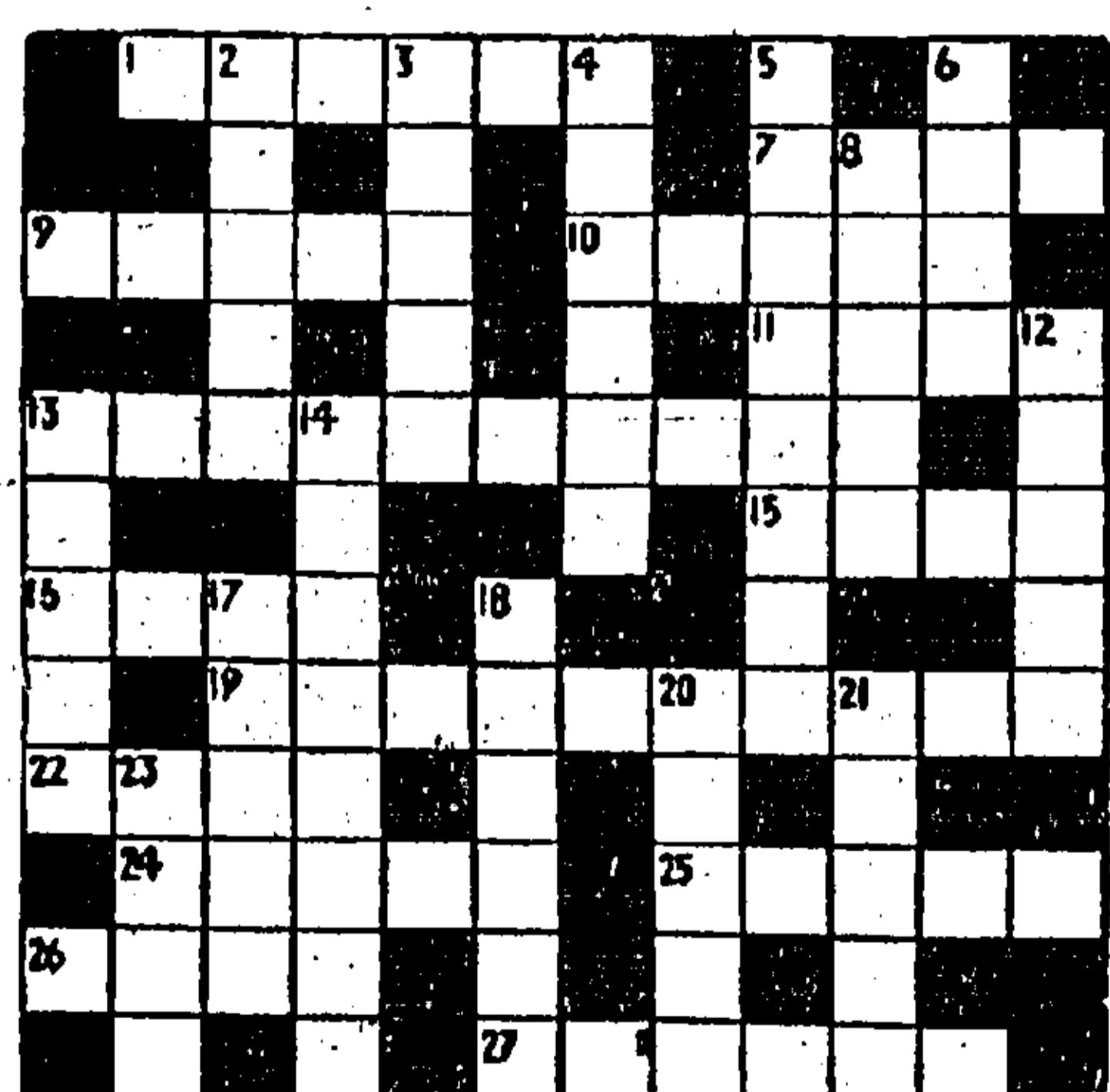
JEWELLED BIRD

The present Maharajah visited the Fort in 1944, when he was said to have chosen a jewelled bird with diamond eyes and ruby plumage, now kept in the Jaipur Palace.

In 1945 silver was brought out from the Fort's hoard of coins to relieve famine-stricken families in Jaipur.

For some time, however, it has been rumoured that the Fort's coffers are empty. Its treasure vaults have been depleted over the centuries and since the merger of the princely states after 1947 when India became independent, it is unlikely that any Maharajah could afford to maintain such a fabulous treasure.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Flickle, Scamp, 7. Rumour, 8. Inert, 10. Hull, 12. Regular, 15. Eerie, 16. Sere, 17. Acts, 19. Prom, 20. Dresses, 21. Dolt, 23. Stung, 24. Repair, 25. Pride, 26. Spread. Down: 1. Forehead, 2. Complete, 3. Loud, 5. Confused, 6. Mortar, 7. Jeers, 11. Leesened, 12. Ripen, 13. Lemonade, 14. Restored, 18. Crater, 22. Peep.

AN ANGEL GETS A HELPING HAND



An American "Sikorsky" helicopter was used at Seelic, near Udine, North Italy, to place a copper figure of an angel on top of the steeple of the church of S. Nicolo. The figure fell from the top of the steeple in 1936 following an earthquake. Photo shows the helicopter lowering the figure to the top of the steeple during the delicate operation.—Keystone Photo.

BIRTH RATE TROUBLE: 'MEN ARE TO BLAME'

Singapore, Aug. 25. It's the men who are to blame for the rising birth rate, according to the Chairman of the Singapore Family Planning Association—a woman.

She is Mrs Goh Kok-keo, who said today that it was difficult to convince people of the need to cut down the birth rate.

Addressing a discussion group she said that family planning workers were hindered by centuries of tradition.

She said: "It's the men who are to be blamed. They need education. Men are so selfish that they don't sympathise with their wife's aims to limit their families."—Reuter.

Never Tried

It was a project never tried before in the history of American aid programmes—which have tackled almost everything else.

Chinese and American officials agree today—at the half-way mark—that it has been successful.

A 37-year-old sergeant is the oldest of the retiring troops, many of whom need intensive medical attention. About 16,000 are tubercular, 800 leprosy and several hundred more are amputees.

The US aid funds went to set up replacement centres, add hospital facilities, start construction projects on which the men could be put to work.

More than 5,000 former soldiers are cutting out 100 miles of road in a cross-island highway project from the Pacific to the Formosa Straits. It will span 6,000 to 10,000-foot high passes in what were once almost inaccessible mountains.

Timber Projects

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AUTOMATIC SPEED DEVICES FOR CARS

Hagerstown, Md., Aug. 25. An automatic speed device for motor vehicles, called the Speedostat, has been invented by a blind engineer after 13 years of work. Mr. Ralph Tector, 67-year-old retired company president said the Speedostat will enable a motorist to select any cruising speed and maintain it without effort.

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All in a Doctor's Day—by CEDRIC CARNE

IF YOU GET STUNG ON HOLIDAY...

A ZOOMING sound. Bzzz. Nearer and nearer. Not a Messerschmitt, not a MiG. A moment of silence and then the cry of "Ouch." That, in brief, is the scenario for an insect bite or sting. And it is happening right now all over Britain.

Mr. Baron, who had just returned from holiday, was one of many victims.

"I think that it was just a midge," he said, showing me his arm where he had been bitten.

Those tiny flies, biting midges, though they are not carriers of human disease, can be a real nuisance. In Scotland, particularly, they may be a threat to tourists, especially during August and September. The effect of the bite varies from person to person, depending on how sensitive one is to such tiny bomblets.

"This swelling started about six hours afterwards," Mr. Baron explained, "and it feels quite stiff and sore."

A MOSQUITO?

As a result of the bite Mr. Baron had some glands up. It was not due to any secondary infection or he thought. Consequently there was no point in giving him penicillin or any of the other antibiotics.

Of course, I couldn't be sure that it was a midge that had done the trick. It could have been a black-fly. Generally, in Britain, they breed in tiny streams with gravel beds, which dry up in the summer time.

Or, again, a mosquito could have been responsible. On the other hand, following a mosquito bite there is often an immediate allergic reaction, and Mr. Baron had already pointed out the stinging didn't get going really for some hours.

"Whatever it was, it's quite painful," Mr. Baron complained.

He was fortunate not to have had a chunk taken out of him by a horse-fly. These are vicious insects, and can bite through clothing. Horse-flies are most troublesome in sunny weather, when they loom around woods and fields. They are the Teddy Boys of the insect world, and the female of the species drinks blood.

"What treatment do you suggest?" asked Mr. Baron.



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"You see, Dr. Hackenbacher, Weller, too, has her Elvis Presley."

So you say there are only five types of drinker? Don't make me smile

by GILES



THE WORLD AND THE BOTTLE

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Moderate! —THAT'S BRITAIN!

THEY say: "When you come into this world your cot is three feet. When you die to your grave is six feet. It's a hell of a fight for a yard." And some people have to take a drink every inch of the way.

The background music to this century has changed rhythm, but always the tone gets more frenetic; the drinking gets harder; the effects of alcohol grow... We in Britain get off lightly—so far. We are comparatively a citadel of calm, a moderate people with moderate habits. But across the Channel and into foreign parts we get more disturbing reports.

Nevertheless, a pattern emerges. And this is true of almost every country which has had its industrial revolution and recovered from it.

To put it gently: alcoholism is now a problem of the well-to-do instead of a problem of gin-soaked poverty.

In Britain the kind of drunkenness which disfigured our urban areas and especially London, at the turn of the century has changed.

Nowhere are the kind of scenes which Arthur Morrison immortalised in such works as "Tales of Mean Streets." The characters then were drinking to forget that they were short of necessities.

The world has lurches on. Now the drinking is done to ease the tensions and stresses of the battle to keep up with—and beat—the Joneses.

The alcoholics of the well-to-do countries—note America, even Holland—are middle-class. The alcoholics of the more bewildered countries are still found in the pauperies, as in France and Italy; and in the working-class, as in Sweden.

I use that word "bewildered." I think a vast mass of people, touched by this century's developments, are genuinely confused.

Political and social problems hem them in. There is a kind of claustrophobia, a desire to get out of the four walls of critical circumstances.

A peasant can deal with a crisis of calf-birth, but when something, for example, happens to the frame and he is thrown on his back, he can't quite manage.

Conrad Allen reports from Rome: "I can remember between 1922 and 1932 meeting dozens of drunks any year. This year, hand on heart, I can recall meeting only two."

"Social life has opened up dozens of amusements apart from the osteria or pub. But drinking still goes with what poverty is left—in the South and mountain villages of the North."

What happens when a new middle-class emerges? And emerges too quickly. A classic example is Western Germany. Over to Expressman William Hanmer, who makes this statement:

"Drunkenness has soured with German prosperity."

The Belgians are doing well. So they have 500 breweries, 35,000 pubs, and 37,000 liquor stores (because spirits aren't served in pubs).

Yet note this: there is still less drink consumed there than before the First World War.

Easy to understand. Because these people drain out of private desperation. Now they drink to calm their social tensions.

by JOHN S. MATHER

poorer—well, he shakes his head and has a drink.

In France...

I have the theory that just as second-class people drink to excess, so second-class nations are apt to go off on permanent binges.

It's all an effort to feel tougher.

Example, Sweden. "There," Chris Wallin reports, "alcoholism is a tremendous problem. Alcoholic asylums are being built for the aquavit addicts and the roar of 'Skål' almost drowns the traffic."

Let's pause for a reflection. We have talked of personal poverty and personal tensions; and we have touched on national pride.

"So another snake-soaker (pronounce it say-kay, rice wine) had staggered off home uncaring. If he had been killed or crippled, as 1,118 people were while wandering tipsy on Japan's railways last year, no

body would have whispered scandalised, about Disgrace on his family."

"For Japan is a land of happy drunks. It is the only place I know where you can do practically anything while tight and get away with smiling forgiveness."

Follow me to Tokyo, where Bertman Jones is reporting. Here is a war-defeated country. And, as in Germany, drunkenness is on the increase. The Japs must swagger. Says Jones:

"In this cocktail-shaker city

where the picturesque name for pub-crawling is ladder-drinking (the more you do it the higher you get), the one man who really needed a good stiff shot of something tonight was a club friend or mine whose customary brewer

is tomato juice.

"He had just dived from a railway platform to save a Japanese almost under the wheels of a train. Missed us by about three inches," he kept saying shakily. "And the chap was tight."

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And Number 3, the "I-work-better-when-I'm-tight" type?

And Number 4, the "Hang on, George—we might get one here in a minute!" type?

And follow the numbers.

5. The knocker.

6. The "Let me tell you my sorrows."

7. The drinker who never listens to your stories, but when you've finished goes straight on with "That reminds me . . ."

8. Knocker.

9. You must meet old so-and-so; he'll make you die with laughter!" An understatement, if ever.

10. "Let's have one for the road on Sid."

11. Sid.

12. Knocker.

13. "If you really must know, Mr. Mildew, I drink because I like it."

14. "So do I."

15. Disenchanted.

16. Two drinkers who have just treated a fellow drinker who didn't treat them back.

17. "Drink doesn't have any effect on me."

18. Watch this one. Knows lots of little tricks with matches.

The drive-you-to-drink type.

And 19. The abstainer.

Cheers.

We are a calm people.

Sweep away No. 10 I say



by
QUENTIN CREWE

NOTHING so pleases an English crowd as a demolition squad. Office workers will give up almost all their lunch hour to watch a wall being pushed down by a bulldozer.

Yet this is a contrary taste, for there is in England today a mania for preservation. Tell the public that a building is to be pulled down and they will rise in passion—passion quite unconnected with architectural virtue.

There are several recent instances.

First the Imperial Institute in South Kensington. There are few uglier buildings in London. Yet when it was suggested that it should be destroyed to make way for a fine new extension of the Imperial College of Science, a fussy sentimental outcry nearly put an end to the progressive scheme.

Lord Mottistone, a reputable architect, went so far as to call its monstrous tower "one of the most beautiful campaniles in existence." I invite you to go and look at it.

Next we have the Albert Bridge—a flimsy, dull construction. "Officers in Command of Guards are requested to break step," says a notice on this bridge.

It would be nice to have been born with this embargo on marching.

"It's Victorian, it's pretty," parrot the Bettjemans. It is not pretty and it is out of date.

Miss Vivien Leigh has made a curious exhibition of herself "defending" the St. James's Theatre. Anyone who has sat in it knows the St. James's is neither comfortable nor good for seeing.

Now, too, we have squalls, about the Nash Terraces in Regent's Park and Carlton House Terrace.

It is true that these are grand and gracious buildings. Indeed

they are so agreeable that it persuades me to read the supporters of demolition—the hollow, loves of St. James's Station—bothering their heads about these terraces.

But remember that Nash never built these spiraling facades to last.

Like nearly all Regency buildings they were made for show, they were Jerry-built.

Venture further that this red

will take you an hour to find your way back. For behind the small next facade lies a gigantic rambling old house.

There are dank-looking court-yards, treacherous little steps, hundreds of yards of winding corridors.

No. 11 is no better, with its kitchen two floors from the dining room, no lift, and some of the bleaker rooms I have ever seen.

Shorter, these five men are to go to 10, 11 and 12, Downing.

The structure of these houses is shaky and in some places edifice?

Why preserve this costly

positively unsafe. As long ago as 1923 Pitt was complaining that repairs had cost the country £11,000.

Alterations are performed for nearly every new occupant, except perhaps for the present Prime Minister, for much money was spent when the Edwardians moved in. They had a luxury bathroom installed and quantities of rather味覺裝飾品.

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I discussed the question with one of Lord Crawford's committee, Sir Howard Robertson, past President of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

"It is a complicated old building," he said of Number 10, "it has intense character but it is not highly distinguished. It has no aura of history rather than any architectural merit. For that reason no one would want to see it disappear."

I say that Sir Howard is wrong. This preoccupation with preservation is unhealthy.

We should strike out bravely.

Build new bridges, new theatres and a new home for our Prime Ministers.

And I am sure we shall not be surprised or pained to think that our descendants will pull down what we have built.

(London Express Service)

CRAIGENGOWER WITHIN EASY DISTANCE OF THEIR MOST SUCCESSFUL BOWLING YEAR

"Toucher" Reviews The Week-end's League And Open Singles Matches

Craigengower Cricket Club, winners already of the Ladies' Senior and Junior Division Leagues, came within easy distance of an all-time record year of successes in the Colony Lawn Bowls League during the week-end when they annexed the Men's First Division title by defeating Recreio in the deciding match by 4-1, and practically assured themselves of Men's Second Division honours by taking maximum points from United Services Recreation Club.

The Valley club first won the First Division League in 1924 and between that year and 1949 tasted victory of no fewer than 10 occasions, being equalled only by Taikoo in the number of successes. But then came a period of decline when age and migration to other clubs took toll of their ranks and it was only after a lapse of seven years that they have been able to recover their long lost glory.

More than that, the Valley club have probably in this success blazed the trail for many more years of achievement as only two members of their winning team may be regarded as veterans.

Only these two players, G. A. Souza and A. E. Coates, were members of the champion team that won the League in 1949 and Souza is still good for at least another twenty years of bowlers.

Other members of the Craigengower champion team eight years ago were A. A. Rozaek, J. W. Leonard, B. W. Bradbury, the late A. H. Rumjohn, G. C. Jorge, J. S. Landolt, W. J. Howatt, F. L. Barros, the late I. M. Omar, K. M. Omar and the late J. M. Omar.

BIGGEST CROWD

Played before the biggest League game crowd this season, the deciding match itself between the new champions and Recreio did provide the thrilling finish of a championship match but was disappointing in the standard of bowling produced.

An extremely heavy and fairly treacherous green provided an unmountable handicap to a great number of the participants and, in addition to these factors, many of them were too overcome by the importance of the match to be able to produce their best form.

Heroes for the winning team were undoubtedly Stanley Leonard and C. R. Rosset, both of whom played a sterling game on slips and were in a large measure responsible for their team's victory. Greater still was the credit due them, considering that both of them were up against probably the two most experienced slips in the Colony in R. F. Luz and J. F. V. Ribeiro.

Contrary to expectations, the match resolved itself into a battle between the slips of both teams and the success of the Craigengower team was mainly due to the ability of slips Rosset and Leonard to produce their best form and their front men taking a slight edge over their opponents.

Leonard, who paved the way for Craigengower's victory by leading his four to 21-13 win over Raul Luz's four, was, however, more fortunate that his opposing skip in the matter of support from his front men. W. Young, untroubled by his nervousness in his first big match ever, and could not produce his best, but P. K. Lou at No. 2 was consistently there, though not with the first shot. Greater support to Leonard came from his No. 3 who played an exceptionally fine game, especially with his heavy shots.

THE LESSONS

If there was anything special that could be learnt from the match between these two fours, it was that the skip can only play as well as he is allowed to by his front men and that nothing succeeds like success and nothing fails like failure.

The ability of his front men to be there, although not necessarily on the jack, and his No. 3 to open up the heads and, more often than not, to change the head into his favour, were factors which led Leonard into his brilliant game.

Luz on the other hand received whatever little support he had from only his lead, F. X. M. da Silva. Alarcos as his No. 2 was never able to get his green or his weight throughout the greater part of the game and, save for one shot at No. 3, was surprisingly silent on a number of occasions.

His himself was far below his usual form but was further handicapped by the inability of his front men to give him a guide to the matter of green and weight with their words.

If only Alarcos, Noronha and Luz had been able to produce only 50 per cent of their best form, the result might have probably been different. As it was Leonard's four led from beginning to end to win com-

fortably by 21-13 after leading by 14-2 at the 11th interval.

On the next rink skip C. R. Rosset was also lucky to get in C. K. Sung a lead who bowled consistently throughout and was the best of the three Craigengower bowlers on the day's performances.

Orley at No. 2 was fairly consistent and came in with some brilliant bowling on the last few heads of the game. Hong Chay at No. 3 was the only one who was below his usual form.

A GREAT GAME

Among the opposing Recreio four, Johnny Ribeiro played a great game for his side as skip and nearly succeeded in pulling his side through with fine bowling.

Generally regarded as the strongest department of the rink, the No. 1, A. P. Pereira, and No. 2, C. E. Roza-Pereira, were surprisingly unable to reach their expected from in this game, and therein lay their downfall. Passos was playing at about his average form, but could not take full advantage of his opposing number's bad day, time and again making only one of his two woods count.

Actually the best bowling of the day was seen in the match between these two fours. Although Rosset's four led by 6-1 at the end of the fourth head, Recreio's four came back to draw level and again tied at 13-13. Ribeiro's four took a two on the next head, and the Craigengower four retaliated with a single and a three to lead by 17-13.

What proved to be the crucial head was the 10th head. With his opponents tying two heads in a row, Ribeiro trailed the jack a yard to the 11th. On the 20th head, Orley drew a perfect toucher which stayed on the forehand and just cut out the probable third shot for a count of four. Instead he drew a draw and was yards short.

GREATER ERROR

Pereira was probably guilty of a greater error.

Having consulted with his No. 3, he was called upon to play a heavy shot on either the opposing second or probably the third shot which were lying in a semi-crossed formation on the forehand.

Instead he chose a draw on the forehand and was far too short. An alternative for him, considering that he had not

Joe Luz at lead was off and on, but Baptista at No. 2 played a very extremely good game and well deserved promotion from the Second Division. Lopes at No. 3 gave sterling support to his skip, C. C. Pereira, who was well off his best form.

The Craigengower four of F. Lee, E. G. Barros, G. A. Souza and A. E. Coates were never near even their average form in this match. Both Lee and Barros were well off their game in the first head, but bowled better in the second head.

Coates was unable to get his weight and had bad luck on a number of occasions and only Souza was bowling with reasonable form in the first half. After trailing by 4-0, Pereira's four took a seven on the seventh head and never relinquished their lead after that.

On the last head they were up by 23-15 and needed three shot to tie on the aggregate.

On the deciding 21st head, Joe Luz drew the shot about 1/4 feet behind and Recreio were lying two shots when Barros drew the first shot for Craigengower about one foot high on the back hand. Baptista was short and partially blocked the backhand. Souza, in trying to draw narrow from backhand to rest an opposing wood on the negative side, hit Baptista's blocking wood and opened the back hand.

Pereira with his first wood rested away Barros' first shot to his three and Coates, taking the back hand, drew what appeared to be the third shot, two feet in the draw.

Opinions are divided among many skips who saw that last head as to the correctness of the shots played by both Pereira and Coates with their last woods.

Pereira could probably have tried to play narrow on the forehand and just cut out the probable third shot for a count of four. Instead he drew a draw and the last three heads they lost a five, a single and a four.

USRC's R. H. Noble, A. Lochie, A. Buckley and D. L. Edwards were 15-15 against L. M. Silva, R. K. Favri, R. O. Baker and M. Q. Wong at the 18th head but lost a two on the 19th and a three on the last head to lose narrowly by 10-20. The only convincing win scored by the Craigengower side was that of G. F. Santos, A. K. Ismail, J. Leonard and F. O. Madar who led all the way to beat A. J. Stoner, R. W. Holloway, R. N. Barker and R. M. Hetherington by 27-14.

With this win, the Craigengower team need now only three points from their remaining two matches against Recreio to win the Second Division League.

For USRC, the 5-0 defeat put them in a precarious position in the matter of relegation possibility. With the Hongkong Cricket Club scoring an upset 44-1/2 win over Police Recreation Club on Saturday, USRC are now only half a point ahead of the third placed Cricket Club.

Both have two matches to go.

The Third Division games produced no material changes in the League table. Hongkong Police Sports Association, who drew a bye, still lead the table.

Recreio consolidated their second position with a 4-1 win over PRC and Stanley did the same in third position with a 4-1 win over Hongkong Cricket Club.

IP KOO-HUNG WINS MALAYAN SINGLES TITLE

Singapore, Aug. 23. Hongkong's Ip Koon-hung won the Malayan Lawn Tennis Singles title held here yesterday, defeating Indonesian Tan Lipe Tjiawu in straight sets, 6-3, 6-4. Ip was Malayan Champion in 1949, 1951 and 1952.

Of eight titles open for competition, five were overseas, three going to Ceylon.

These were:

Men's Doubles

B. Pinto and Rohit Pradertya of Ceylon beat Tan Lipe Tjiawu and Kelle Sudarsono of Indonesia 7-5, 4-2 (retired).

Women's Singles

Mrs Ranjani Jayasuriya of Ceylon beat Miss Katherine Leong of Malaya 6-0, 6-0.

Mixed Doubles

S. Kumalak and Miss Choorlah of Thailand beat S. Ranjani Jayasuriya of Ceylon 5-7, 10-8, 6-1.

Junior Boys Singles

P. S. Kumara of Ceylon beat Chatchai of Thailand 6-3, 6-4. —France-Press.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Braves Stretch Their Lead To 7 1/2 Games

New York, Aug. 25.

The Milwaukee Braves stretched their National League lead to 7 1/2 games today when they beat the Philadelphia Phillies, 7-3, with the aid of a pair of three-run home runs by rookie outfielder Bob Hazle.

Hazle, with three hits in as many trips to the plate, batted in six runs while southpaw Warren Spahn, who registered his 10th victory, accounted for Milwaukee's other run over a homer off Robin Roberts.

Spahn blanked the Phils until

the eighth inning when they beat all for their runs.

Stan Lopata homered in that frame. The loss was Roberts' 18th of the season against eight victories.

Don Mueller and Danny O'Connell drove in six runs between them to pace the New York Giants to a 10-1 victory over the Cincinnati Redlegs.

PAIR OF HOMERS

Ruben Gomez pitched a six-

hitter for his 14th triumph,

winning Cincinnati until the ninth when Ed Bailey homered. Mueller drove in three runs with a pair of homers and two singles and Connell also knocked in three with a homer, triple and single.

Brooklyn had to call on

three pitchers to throttle a ninth inning rally and pre-

serve a 6-5 victory over the St. Louis Cardinals.

Don Drysdale was credited

with his 13th victory although

he tied in the eighth after

limiting the Cards to three hits

in the first seven innings.

Ed Roebuck relieved Drysdale in

the eighth but then required

relief himself from Sandy Koufax and Sal Maglie in the ninth. Gil Hodges drove in three of Brooklyn's runs with his 21st homer and a double. Sam Jones was the loser. —United Press.

Eastern Score Their Second Win In Singapore

Singapore, Aug. 26.

The Hongkong Eastern AA soccer team beat a Singapore Selection 4-3 at Jalan Besar Stadium here last night.

This was the visitors' second match in Singapore. On Thursday night they drew 3-3 with a Singapore Chinese team.

Yesterday the visitors showed

improved form. Their for-

wards were fast and took

every chance they had.

Right on top in the first

half, the Eastern players led

3-1 at the interval with goals

by Szeto Man (2) and Yeung

Wal-to.

Singapore's goal was scored

by Arthur Koh.

Singapore made it 3-2 in the

4th minute but four minutes

later Eastern regained

the two-goal margin, scoring

through Wong Kin-took.

In the 60th minute Singapore

were awarded a penalty and

Vas scored. —Reuter.

U.S. TENNIS FINALS

Wimbledon Doubles Champions To Meet Aussies

Caesnay Hill, Aug. 25.

Rain prevented play today in the finals of the American Lawn Tennis Doubles Championships here.

It is hoped to play them to-

morrow.

Gardnar Mulloy and Budgie

Patty, the Wimbledon Cham-

pions, meet the Australians,

Neale Fraser and Ashley

Cooper in the men's final. Miss

Althea Gibson and Miss Darlene

Hard, who also won at Wimble-

don, play in the women's final.

—United Press.

European Chess Championships

Vienna, Aug. 25.

World Chess Champion

Vassili Smyslov, of the Soviet

Union, was upset by Czechoslovakia's M. Filip here today in the fourth round of the European Team Chess Championships.

The Soviet Union nonetheless

retained its overall lead at the

end of the round with 20 points

followed by Yugoslavia with 20.5 points, Czechoslovakia with 21, and Hungary with 21.5 points. —France

BUSMEN TAKE SOUTH CHINA FOR A RIDE ALONG THE NON-STOP ROUTES TO GOAL

FRED PERRY SAYS

RUSSIANS HAVE NO GREAT TENNIS STARS UNDER WRAPS AT THE MOMENT

By STEVE SNIDER

New York, Aug. 25. The Russians asked tennis pro Fred Perry what he thought and he told them right out: "It'll take five to ten years to produce a top-flight player and then—only maybe."

They listened and were willing to wait, said the 48-year-old British star who became a US citizen in 1940.

"Tennis is still in its infancy in Russia," said Perry, just back from a tour of major Russian cities at the invitation of Soviet tennis leaders. "But they have vast plans for new courts and training programs dipping into every place they feel players might be developed."

"It's a large scale proposition and anybody's guess whether they'll ever be a power in world tennis. This is a game that's up to the individual—not what you can do for the individual."

Perry, who won the Wimbledon and US Singles crowns three each in the middle 1930's, said he visited equipment manufacturers in Leningrad and Moscow, examined plans for future development and observed some of Russia's leading players in action.

NO GREAT STARS

"Their best players are only fair," said Fred. "And I'm convinced that they have no great stars under wraps who, say, might come out of Russia in the next year or two and start winning."

But he added that if "Work and will power will do anything they have a chance if they keep at it for five or 10 more years."

Those husky Russian gals who have cut in such sports as track and field, gymnastics and some winter sports are taking to tennis quite naturally," said Perry.

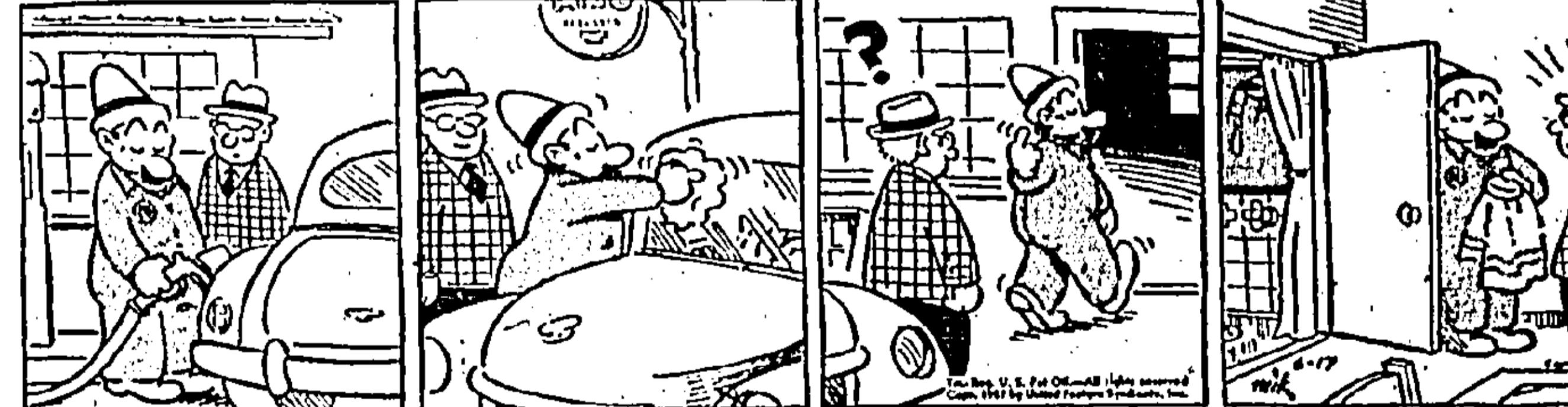
"In that division, too, it's a question of considerable time," he added.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN



By Lee Falk and Phil Davis

FERD'NAND



By Milk

NANCY



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JOHNNY HAZARD



By Frank Robbins



Language Is No Barrier In These 'Silent' Olympics

Milan, Aug. 23. About 6,000 people, most of them deaf mutes, watched the opening here tonight of the Eighth "Silent" Olympic Games, in which deaf and dumb athletes from 24 nations, including Britain, are taking part.

Language was no barrier to either contestants or spectators, who conversed easily by gesturing and understanding by all.

A light of white doves, symbol of peace, was released as the seven-day games officially opened at the Civic Arena.

During the Olympic parade the Hungarian contingent was loudly applauded. Russian athletes were also there.

The crowd and the 800 contestants were one of the largest deaf and dumb to be held—China Mail Special.

Sports Diary

TODAY Meeting

Annual Meeting of the Hongkong Badminton Association at SCM Ford Ltd. Board Room, 3:45 p.m.

Annual Meeting of the Gremlins League, Hongkong Club, Education Dept., 5:30 p.m.

ASB & OC of Hongkong annual general meeting at Standard Room, 4:30 p.m.

Final of the Knock-out water polo tournament, Hong Kong Army at Victoria Pool, 3:30 p.m.

Leather Day, Deep Water Bay, 3 p.m.

Patrons close for "Chinese Cup" Golf, Deep Water Bay.

India Wins

Deauville, Aug. 25. India won the 1957 "Polo Gold Cup" at the polo grounds here today by beating the "La Versine" squad—France-Presse.

Britain & Russia May Have Annual Athletic Meet

London, Aug. 25. Britain and Russia may have an annual athletics meeting similar to that concluded yesterday at London's White City Stadium.

Mr. Jack Crump, Secretary of the British Athletics Board, said here tonight that Soviet officials envisaged a yearly "home or away" fixture between the two countries.

He declared: "They are most anxious for an annual fixture. It is a tribute to this country's athletic skill and reputation."

Mr. Crump also referred to an invitation to send a British team to Moscow next year, issued by Soviet officials here yesterday.

He said this would be backed up by an official invitation which would be considered by the Athletes Board—China Mail Special.

KMB 6, South China 1

By I. M. MacTAVISH

Twenty-two thousand shocked soccer fans packed the Caroline Hill Stadium on Saturday evening for this CAAF Cup tie and under 60 gleaming floodlights they watched South China humbled and humiliated by a quicksilver KMB side that was firing faultlessly on every cylinder.

The Busmen punched more holes in the thin-as-tissue-paper South China defence than their conductors do to the multitudinous of tickets they normally issue in the evening rush hour. The score sheet . . . KMB 6, South China 1 . . . tells its own story.

What a transformation the summer has wrought in these two teams which only a few short months ago contested the final of the Senior Shield. KMB must surely have discovered some magic Malayan elixir during their recent travels. They were superbly fit . . . they played with a team spirit that was sadly lacking in much of their work last season . . . and they were quick to realize that they were up against a side that was "South China" only in that the players wore the famous badge on their shirts.

If this is a reliable indication of what lies ahead the future looks bright for KMB. With a little strengthening at left half they could very easily sweep everything before them and so reap the rightful reward for some astute team building that started a couple of years ago.

How different things were with South China. Without the power of Ho Cheung-yan up front and lacking the stability of Lau Chi-ping in defense they looked no better than a third rate side, and in fact they played no better than a third rate side.

The defense was as unstable as a gambler's bank balance. As soon as the odds started to pile up against them the rear ranks disintegrated and, like a famous egg, all the Caroline Hill experts could not put it together again.

PRICELESS COALS

The bursting of the defensive seams started with willing veteran Tan Kar-sow who quickly discovered that the virile Busmen were going to exploit his slowness on the turn . . . but before he, or his mates, had any chance to effect running repairs KMB had tucked three priceless goals into the back of Lau Kin-chung's . . . and when the straw-clutching adjustments were eventually made they merely slowed up the rate of scoring . . . the result was already an inevitability.

The whole thing was a rude awakening for the Caroline Hill officials. The crushing defeat must surely have underlined once and for all the paucity of their defense . . . and it must also have placed a new and glittering value on the magnificently shoulders of the absent Ho Cheung-yan.

Their biggest disappointments, strangely enough, were among the biggest names. Yu Cheuk-yin had the sort of game that made a mockery of his "Foot-baller of the Year" title. For long spells he was never in the picture and there was a disturbing indifference about much of his work once his side started trailing behind. Chu Wing-wah did not make a single important contribution to the game . . . if one excepts the fact that he converted a gift-from-the-gods penalty kick!

Chen Chi-kong alone seemed willing to meet the opposition halfway and make the Busmen fight every inch of the way for any honours they were going to win . . . Luk Tak-yin showed a bit of the same spirit for a time but once he found that the sleek KMB forward's had the beating of him he lapsed occasionally into the sort of tactics that have sometimes marred his play in the past.

Mok Chun-wah made a few flying bursts down the left wing and was unlucky with a fine first half shot which hit the junction of the post and the upright . . . but he too was only a shadow of his former self and generally he fell easy prey to the quick hard tackling of Lo Pak.

Really however, there is little purpose in dissecting this weak water South China side.

There were several glaring deficiencies in the line-up. There was also a strange apathy and lack of enterprise about almost everything they did and with the assistance of the referee's strange decision which gave them a penalty kick it is doubtful if they would ever have got further than causing Wol-Fai-ku a few fleeting moments of concern.

Nevertheless . . . if you were not a South China fanatic . . . this was still a fine football spectacle and, if you did not have more marvel at the skill, enterprise, speed and power of this young KMB side, the trip to Caroline Hill was well worthwhile.

The tightly packed stadium was adequate evidence of the eager appetite that awaits satisfaction in our soccer community . . . but even in spite of that it was a strangely quiet crowd which sat and watched the Busmen extract a Shylock revenge for the crushing defeat they suffered in the Senior Shield final.

It seemed as though the Caroline Hill faithful simply could not believe their eyes as the score mounted and when Lau Iking-chung had to go to the back of the net for the sixth time he did so in an almost flushed stadium.

FIVE GOALS

It was KMB first, last and all the time. Before the hands on the clock had reached the fifteen minutes mark Lau Shu-wah, Chow Shu-hung, and Lau Kai-lam had given them a three goals lead. Lau Kai-lam made it four just on the half-hour and seven minutes later a brilliant defence-splitting move enabled Chow Shu-hung to make it five.

Immediately before the interval Referee Mak brought a break to the South China checks and a gust of surprise from the crowd — when he awarded the home side a penalty kick, Chu Wing-wah smacked the ball into the net for his team's solitary counter.

Play deteriorated somewhat during the second half but the Busmen were always in command and when Lau Shu-hung added a sixth goal for the finish, South China's players trooped off the field at the end in a sadly disillusioned group and their mood contrasted sharply with that of the Busmen who could not hide their elation.

The KMB heroes were Wol-Fai-ku, Lo Pak, Tang Sun, Lau Tim and the whole front rank . . . Chen Chi-kong and Mok Chun-wah apart, there was not a South China player who played to anything like reputation.

Incidentally, the standard of control was less than ordinary. Referee Mak handled the game without imagination or understanding. He seldom used the advantage rule to advantage . . . and he allowed one of his lines to be broken.

SWIM RECORD

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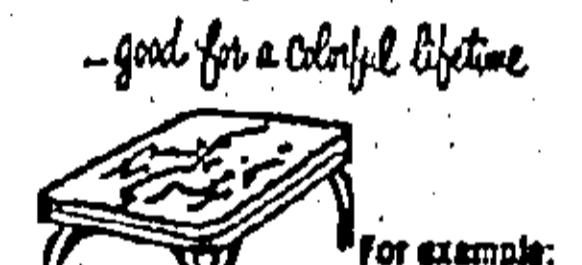
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The Pirates Paid Their Fares Home

Poor hostages these — and no one wanted
them—so the pirates handed out \$3 or \$4 each
to cover the cost of their fares home

QUIET for more than six months in 1953, Bias Bay pirates opened their winter offensive with a bold attack on the French vessel, Commandant Henri Riviere, just outside Hongkong one cold evening in the last days of November.

A week before the piracy a general warning had been issued by the Hongkong Harbour Master informing shippers that a gang of Bias Bay pirates had been seen walking along Connaught Road, Central. But it was learnt later that the pirates who looted the Commandant Henri Riviere were not the same ones.

Bridge Rushed

Operated in Hongkong by Messrs. Sing Lee of Connaught Road, the French steamer arrived here from Canton on November 23, 1953, with 120 passengers en route to Pakhoi and Haiphong. Master of the ship was Captain P. B. Morgan. Before the ship cleared port for Pakhoi on November 26 the local water police made their customary search of the 120 Canton passengers and 70 before he could offer any re-

Hongkong passengers. But they found nothing to arouse suspicion.

At 11 in the morning, the Commandant Henri Riviere left port and was making good time as she steamed southwest with Second Officer, Francis Pelon, on the bridge.

Six hours out and all was well. The ship was now approximately 31 miles south of Gap Rock.

Suddenly a shot rang out from the lower deck and before Pelon could see what had happened three pirates rushed on to the bridge, surprising the Second Officer and the Annamite steward.

One of the pirates forced his pistol into Pelon's stomach and demanded to know where the ship's arms were stored. Pelon told them,

"The arm's case was broken and the contents, eight rifles, a shotgun and four revolvers, were distributed among a number of other pirates who had come to the bridge."

The Second Officer was then taken down to the steward's cabin where he found the Captain, Chief Officer and radio operator. A few minutes after his arrival the Captain was taken to the bridge.

Although the ship had four Annamite anti-pirate guards, Captain Morgan said later that while ship was "taken unawares."

"Only one of the guards had been on duty at the time of the piracy, and he was overcome by women passengers

before he could offer any re-

A DOUBLE FEATURE
by GORDON HUNGThe Captain Went
To War...
with a Malacca cane

THE CHATTER of machinegun fire broke the silence of the night as the police launch fired a warning shot over the bow of the Hongkong-built steamer, Prominent.

The steamer, which had been in the hands of about 20 pirates for the last two days, ignored the firing and continued into Mira Bay. But all was not well on the vessel.

The pirates had never anticipated meeting the Police when they sighted the vessel on the high seas in the early hours of Thursday morning, May 25, 1953.

As they stood on the bridge ducking each time the Police searchlight beam hit the pirates, the Prominent and the Chief Engineer was sent across to the

launch to tell them that the lives of the crew were in jeopardy unless the firing stopped.

It stopped.

All this time the Prominent was coming closer and closer to the beach until all of a sudden it came to a jarring halt. The vessel was aground.

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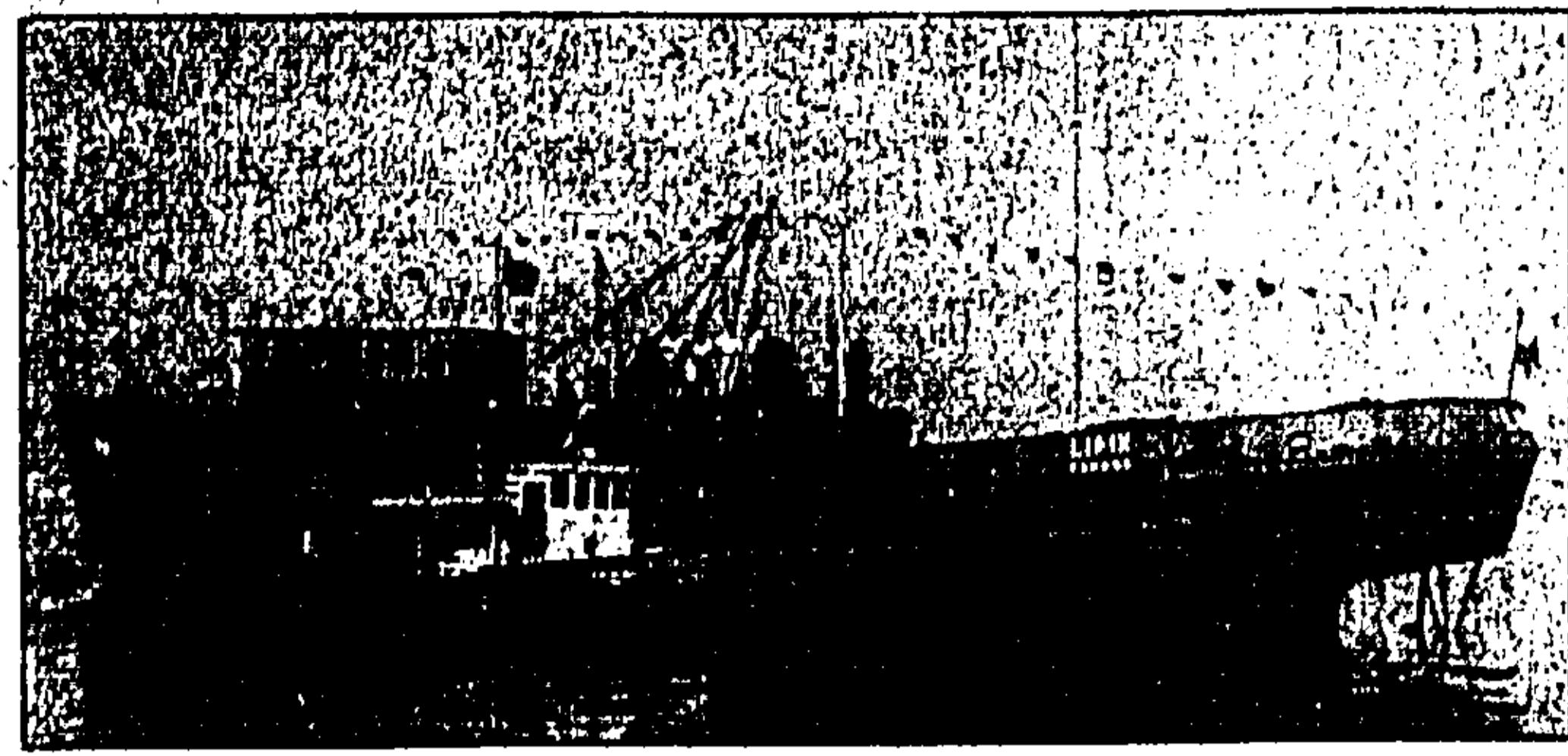
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AFTER THE LAUNCHING

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(Above) after the launching, and (below) Mr Vaughan gives the tug a friendly pat before the slips down.



SENTENCE REDUCED

A sentence of \$1,000 or six months for possessing heroin was reduced to \$1,000 or three months by Mr. Justice A.D. Scholes at the Appeals Court this morning.

The Judge pointed out to the appellant, Wong Por, that the maximum sentence that could be passed as an alternative to a fine of \$1,000 was three months.

But Wong has also to serve a consecutive sentence of six months on another charge of offering to deal in dangerous drugs.

Wong was convicted of the two charges and sentenced by Miss B. K. Scarle at Central on July 31. He was arrested on July 31. In possession of 0.2 grammes of heroin.

Another appellant, Yu Wing-fai, asked the Judge to reduce the sentence of two years imposed on him for theft.

Yu had pleaded guilty to picking \$30 from the pocket of Kam Kuen at the Peiho Theatre on July 22.

Dismissing the appeal, Mr. Justice Scholes said that in view of his bad record, he did not think there was any reason for him to interfere with the sentence imposed by the Magistrate.

THREE MONTHS' GAOL FOR FORGERY

A Chinese youth, Leung Shiu-chung, 24, a partner of the Mei Chun Wo Printing Press at 61 Jardine's Crescent, was sent to prison for three months by Miss B. K. Scarle at Central this morning for forging a document.

Another charge of uttering a forged document was dismissed. Certain inquiries were made, as by the Magistrate when the police offered no evidence.

In 1955, a licence for the printing press was taken out in the name of Leung's partner, Cheng Kam-bui.

Army Man Hurt

On July 23, this year, Leung instructed one of his sons to file a written application to the Licensing Office at Police Headquarters, asking for the transfer of the licence to his name. He signed the document in Cheng's name.

The application was transferred from Police Headquarters

Corporal A. E. Osborne of Headquarters, Land Forces, was seriously injured shortly after midnight last night when the private car he was driving collided with the stone pillars of the Union Jack Club in Queen's Road East.

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"The keel of the Lirik was laid on May 20 this year and launched today, August 26, making a total of three months and six days, which we feel is quite a record, and I should like to point out that none of us are taking any correspondence course from Henry Kaiser."

"In the past two years we have launched a total of 163 vessels totalling approximately 38,000 gross tons."

TWO POLICE CHARGED WITH THEFT

Charged with three counts of theft each, two Police constables were remanded for three days in Police custody by Mr. T. L. Yang at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Defendants were Yip Yim-kwan, 28, of 5 Ho Kn Yuan, first floor, Kowloon City, and Tseng Lam, 26, of 915 Canton Road, third floor.

It was alleged that the first defendant on August 15 and 16, at the Kowloon Magistracy stole a total of \$30, the property of Lam Shui-long, Lee Put and Fung Yin-chin.

The second defendant was also alleged to have stolen a total of \$30, the property of Yu Mo-yan, Cheung Wah and Liu Lam on the same days.

No pleas were taken.

MAN CAUGHT RED-HANDED

A man caught red-handed picking the pocket of an eight-year-old boy, was sentenced to eight months' gaol by Miss B. K. Scarle at Central this morning.

The defendant, Wong Chih-hung, 28, an earth cooie, who had 10 previous convictions, two of which were similar, pleaded guilty.

At about 7.30 p.m. on August 24, a policeman on board an East bound tram, saw the defendant put his hand into the left trouser pocket of a small boy and take out a plastic wallet. He arrested him on the spot.

The wallet contained \$8.

AOC Leaves For Singapore

Air Commodore A. D. Merson, Air Officer Commanding, left by RAF aircraft this morning for a three-day tour of temporary duty to Singapore.

He was seen off at the Airport by Group Capt. A. J. M. Smythe, Station Commander RAF, Kai Tak, and his ADC, Fl-Lieut. C. Brookbanks.

PUT'S 11-YEAR-OLD DREAM COMES TRUE

And she joins the crew of the Yankee

by Francis Boey

AN enterprising mother who wanted her children to know a little bit more about geography than was taught in schools, cajoled, coaxed and pleaded with her three teenage sons to attend a lecture given by commander Irving M. Johnson on one of his four voyages around the world on the brigantine, Yankee, one night eleven years ago.

This lecture on the world and its people didn't arouse much interest in the three Rileyas but it did fire the imagination of ponytailed 11-year-old sister Peg Riley.

Absorbed

Peg was so absorbed by skipper Johnson's narrative of his island-hopping educational world tour, coupled with the reels and reels of films to elaborate his story that she made a wish right there, and then to join Commander Johnson as a member of his crew when she grew up.

An enthusiastic Peg returned home that night and announced to her mother that one day she would sail in the brigantine, Yankee, to see the world.

"You'll grow out of it, Peg," said her mother. "Besides you are going to get the \$5,000 signing on?"

"Mother, I mean it. I can do odd jobs between classes and I'll save every penny even if it takes me ten years to see my dream come true," she replied.

Personable

The other day a lanky American college girl stepped off a plane at Kai Tak unobtrusively. Nobody in the Colony, not even the press, had an inkling of the strange odyssey this girl was making in the Yankee, now at Bangkok.

Her name is Miss Peg Riley, known as Put among her shipmates.



Miss Riley who is as pretty as she is personable is a shapely and unassuming girl of 21. She told this writer that she left her ship at Sandakan, North Borneo to meet her parents who are now in Hawaii on route for Tokyo to rendezvous with their globe-trotting daughter.

A Social Science student at the South African College, Peg stands now to six feet. She

told it had taken her more than ten years of picking up odd jobs to raise the \$6,000 to pay for the privilege of joining the Yankee.

"My father, Robert Riley, a mechanical engineer jokingly told me that if I could raise \$2,500 he would pay the balance.

He sure did live up to his word or I wouldn't be speaking to you now," she said.

"My happiest day was when my savings account showed a deposit of \$2,500 in my name. I couldn't wait for my father to come home to remind him of his eleven-year-old promise. Instead, I rang him up.

"It didn't surprise my father though, for he had been following my savings barometer which I had set up in my room.

All he said was, 'Alright, Peg darling, if you can convince

skipper Johnson to take you on as one of his crew, I'll put in my share.'

"I have been pestering skipper Johnson for the last eleven years. His ship which is also his permanent home, more often than not, always anchored at Gloucester, Massachusetts. I asked for an appointment over the phone and looking back in retrospect it must have been the most incoherent conversation that the skipper had ever heard.

Pestering

"The reason was obvious — I was hysterical. I tried to say so many things to him at the same time for I was delirious with happiness.

"What started out as a beautiful day for me was a terrible day for me two years ago, when I got out in high spirits and with a song in my heart ended with me in the most depressing mood.

"The skipper told me I was too young for him to take me on as a member of the crew. I was then 18 and standing 5 ft 10 in my stocking feet. The only word of encouragement which still kept my hopes alive was that he would consider my case very carefully and that I would be notified of his decision in a couple of months.

Depression

"In September, my dream world crashed down around me, just as hard as the depression that hit the people in Wall Street in the 1929 crash. Skipper Johnson was still of the opinion that I was not mature enough to join him. I sulked and made myself a nuisance in the house for months.

"A year later, when I thought there was not the slightest chance of my ever seeing my dream come true, my father rang up one May morning at the college I was boarding at, and told me the wonderful news of my being accepted by skipper Johnson.

"For a moment I was speechless. It was too good to be true. Thus, after years of hard toil, disappointment and frustration, I was finally in as a crew of the brigantine, Yankee.

Tomorrow, Put tells about life on board the Yankee

REQUIEM MASS FOR PRIEST

A Requiem Mass was held at St Margaret's Church, Happy Valley, this morning for the late Rev. E. Moulis, C.M., who died suddenly on Friday evening at his home 20 Beach Road, Stanley.

The Mass was attended by Fathers and Sisters of various congregations and people of the French Community.

The Rev. O'Hanrahan, Maryknoll, Stanley, officiated at the Mass. He was assisted by the Rev. M. Cantore and

the Rev. L. Boll, both of St Margaret's Church.

Following the Mass, his Lordship Bishop Lawrence Bianchi, Bishop of Hongkong, gave the Blessing and officiated at the graveside.

Wreaths were sent by the French Consulate, Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Choy, staff of the French Consulate, and the Rev. Charles Chong, Vichy, France.

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Mrs Susie Yip, grand-daughter of late Sir Robert Ho Tung left the Colony by the ss Hamburg with her four children yesterday. Mrs. Yip is taking her children to the United Kingdom to school.

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